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Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 15.8, respondents file this supplemental brief to bring to the Court's attention the rulings issued by the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit on February 14, 2001, in *Bell Atlantic Maryland, Inc. v. MCI WorldCom, Inc.* (Nos. 99-2459, -2616) and *BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. v. North Carolina Utilities Commission* (Nos. 99-1845, -1846, -1847, -1970). These decisions address questions closely related to the Eleventh Amendment and subject matter jurisdiction issues raised by the Illinois Commerce Commission in this case. They do so in ways that arguably conflict with the ruling of the Seventh Circuit on those questions. Copies of the opinions have been lodged with the Clerk.

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